

State BIRTH CERTIFICATES

- or -

a 'certified copy of birth'?

Is it possible to void and cancel a State issued "BIRTH CERTIFICATE" or "CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH"? **Yes.** Is it possible to obtain a "certified copy" of a hospital or birthing center witness - attestation - to a live birth? **Yes.**

Firstly, there is a vast legal difference between a State issued "BIRTH CERTIFICATE - CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH" and a "Certified copy of a live birth". A CERTIFICATE, as used today, is not lawfully the same as a *certified copy*. A BIRTH CERTIFICATE is issued by the State to conform with federal requirements under the *purported* necessity of 'vital statistics'. In Florida State, the Florida Department of Health (a/k/a HRS), Office of Vital Statistics, issues these statutory CERTIFICATES. The names are spelled in all capital letters and conform to federal 'law' regulations.

Prior to the 1860's, the only certification of a birth came from the church, not the State or government. The church required two Christian witnesses to attest to, by their signatures and seals, the birth, be it a live birth or a stillborn birth. The church viewed that living or dead, the birth was to be attested to under affirmation before God.

The following is from *Webster's 1828 Dictionary*:

CERTIFICATE, n. 2. In a more particular sense, the written declaration, under the hand or seal or both, **of some public officer, to be used as evidence in a court, or to substantiate a fact. A certificate of this kind may be considered as given under the oath of office.** 3. Trial by certificate, is where the evidence of the person certifying is the only proper criterion of the point in dispute, as when the issue is whether a person was absent in the army; this is tried by the certificate of the Mareschall of the army, in writing under his seal.

CERTIFY, v.t. 1. To testify to in writing; **to make a declaration in writing, under hand, or hand and seal**, to make known or establish a fact. 2. To give certain information to; applied to persons. *We have sent and certified the king -Ezra 4.* 3. To give certain information of; applied to things. **This is designed to certify those things that are confirmed of Gods favor.** It is followed by of, after the person, and before the thing told; as, I certified you of the fact.

From the *Merriam-Webster 1998 Dictionary*, one hundred sixty years later:

cer·tif·i·cate, *noun*. Middle English *certificat*, from Middle French, from Medieval Latin *certificatum*, from Late Latin, neuter of *certificatus*, past participle of *certificare*, to certify, 15th century. **1** : a document containing a certified statement especially as to the truth of something; **specifically : a document certifying that one has fulfilled the requirements of and may practice in a field.** **2** : something serving the same end as a certificate. **3** : a

document **evidencing ownership or debt** <a *certificate* of deposit>.

cer·ti·fy, *transitive verb*. Inflected Form(s): **-fied; -fy·ing**. Middle English *certifier*, from Middle French *certifier*, from Late Latin *certificare*, from Latin *certus* certain -- more at CERTAIN. 14th century. **1** : to attest authoritatively: as **a : CONFIRM b** : to present in formal communication **c : to attest as being true** or as represented or as meeting a standard **d** : to attest officially to the insanity of. **2** : to inform with certainty : **ASSURE**. **3** : to guarantee (a personal check) as to signature and amount by so indicating on the face.

To 'certify' is to testify to in writing: to make known or establish as a fact. The word is not essential to a 'certificate'. - State v. Schwin, 65 Wis. 213 (1886).

By looking at the definitions and cite above, it's clear that a **certificate** is a document, issued by a public officer, *i.e.*, the government, to substantiate a fact of legal privilege. In contrast, to **certify**, as in a certified copy, is to attest as to the truth in the manner of a confirmation by witness signatures and seals before Almighty God.

The following is the transcript (modified for HTML format) of an actual letter I had written to the STATE OF FLORIDA pointing out their errors in the issuance of two "Certificates" of Birth. The actual names of Myself, My family, and the identifying numbers have been changed and are marked within <these symbols>:

STATE OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF VITAL STATISTICS

P.O. BOX 210

JACKSONVILLE, FL 32231-0042

Reference: Your errors in Certificates of Birth; abatement of said errors shown on your records.

Gentlemen:

It has recently come to our attention that the Christian Appellation of our birth children are *misnomered*, or mis-named, on the birth information within your *purported* records, copies of which are enclosed for your reference. As recorded by you, your "Certificates" do not reflect the Lawful Christian Birth or Baptism names nor Christian Appellations at birth of the children or parents. As marked on your *purported* "Certificates", all names entered therein are considered *misnomers* and *personae* by Law, and as such nulls and voids said "Certificates". Names spelled in all capital letters are not Lawful Christian Appellations and are not recognized by the Laws of Almighty God, which are the common and general laws so founded and in usage in this state.

Concerning specifically your CERTIFICATION OF BIRTH <reference number>:

A. The Lawful Christian Appellation given to Our child at birth is <Mary Martha>, and her family clan (what you refer to as a 'surname') is <Jones>, *not* <MARY MARTHA JONES>;

B. The Lawful place of birth is <Wayne county>, *not* <WAYNE COUNTY>;

C. The Mother's Christian Appellation at birth is <Mary Ruth> born of the family <Hunt> and now Lawfully joined by God's Law under Coverture, through Chrsitian marriage, to the family <Jones>, *not* <MARY RUTH HUNT>.

D. The Father's Christian Appellation at birth is <John James> born of the family <Jones>, *not* JOHN JAMES JONES>.

Concerning specifically your CERTIFICATION OF BIRTH <reference number>:

A. The Lawful Christian Appellation given to Our child at birth is <Sarah Jane>, and her family clan (what you refer to as a 'surname') is <Jones>, *not* <SARAH JANE JONES>;

B. The Lawful place of birth is <Wayne county>, *not* <WAYNE COUNTY>;

C. The Mother's Christian Appellation at birth is <Mary Ruth> born of the family <Hunt> and now Lawfully joined by God's Law under Coverture, through Chrsitian marriage, to the family <Jones>, *not* <MARY RUTH HUNT>.

D. The Father's Christian Appellation at birth is <John James> born of the family <Jones>, *not* JOHN JAMES JONES>.

Please correct your mistakes and errors accordingly. If no corrected records are received by us within thirty days of your receipt of this notice and abatement, it will be presumed that said "Certificates" are invalid, unlawful, void, and abated for the Lawful causes herein so stated.

In witness before Almighty God and by averment before all the world, on this twenty-second day of the ninth month, nineteen hundred ninety-eight, *Anno Domini*.

I have the honor of being a Good and Lawful Christian Man. **L.S.**

<signature>, *suae potestate esse, pro filias familias*.

I have the honor of being a Good and Lawful Christian Wife under Cover. **L.S.**

<signature>, *feme covert, pro filias familias*

Sure enough, within 30 days, the STATE OF FLORIDA replied with this letter (underlining and **bold accents** added):

Lawton Chiles

Governor

James T. Howell, M.D., M.P.H.

Secretary

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

October 12, 1998

Dear Mr. <Jones>,

This is in reference to your recent letter regarding the birth records you received for your two daughters, <Mary Martha Jones> and <Sarah Jane Jones>. [*Editor's note: Notice they spelled the names in proper English, not all CAPITALIZED*]

The Certificates you received were issued off **the computer database which, as you have properly indicated, lists information in all capital letters**. If you wish to receive certified photocopies of the original birth records as they were filed by the hospital which lists your daughter's names (First, Middle, Last) as <Mary Marth Jones> not <MARY MARTH JONES> and <Sarah Jane Jones> not <SARAH JANE JONES>, you may **return the Computer Certificates** with an additional fee of \$10.00. These records from the hospital also list the parent's names as <John James Jones> and <Mary Ruth Hunt>, married name <Jones>. A self addressed envelope is enclosed for your convenience in replying.

Please do not hesitate to contact this office if I can be of further assistance.

Cordially,

<signature>

Ken Jones

Vital Statistics Administrator

Office of Vital Statistics

(904) 359-6929

What we received two weeks after sending back the "Computer Certificates" was two "certified copies" of the original hospital "Record of Birth" forms, with the births attested to and witnessed by the presence of two signatures, along with the signatures and seals of both Myself and My Wife. **All the Christian Appellations were spelled correctly.**

Notice that the State of Florida admitted the Computer Certificates and their computer database was incorrectly showing the names in all capital letters. There was absolutely no denial of this fact and they even noted that this was "properly indicated" by me. As an alternative, they were very willing to offer "certified copies", *not* "Certificates", of the "original birth records". But to do so, they insisted that the computer generated "Certificates" be returned to them first.

As a test to see how my children were now listed in the 'Official' State of Florida records, I went

to a local HRS Office a few days later and requested computer Certificates of my daughter's "Birth Certificates". The woman logged onto the computer the names and birth dates, and then a look of confusion came over her face. She asked me, "Are your children adopted?" to which I replied "No". I nearly went into shock when she then stated to me, "I'm sorry, sir, but the Birth Records for your children are sealed and I'm not authorized to access them. They are ***not*** in the public record. You'll have to write a letter to HRS in Jacksonville in order to get access to the records".

Victory for the Christian common Law! Not only were the previous "computer generated Certificates" destroyed when I returned them to the State (this was their reason for insisting I return them in order to get the original birth records), but the computer record was literally erased (sealed up) so that it was no longer a public record.

What this means is that the State of Florida knew that I knew what they were up to. The misnomers and fictional personae for my children were removed from the 'Official' records because I had the Lawful Right to demand so. If they were to issue a Lawful certified record of birth and keep the unlawful Certificates of Birth, there would be a conflict of Law and venue.

This is absolute proof that Christian Birth Right still exists in Florida state. This is also proof that if everyone began to do the same as I have done, the 'privilege' of State Birth Certification for birth would be eliminated and Our children would be 'erased' from the State Commerce Citizenship records.